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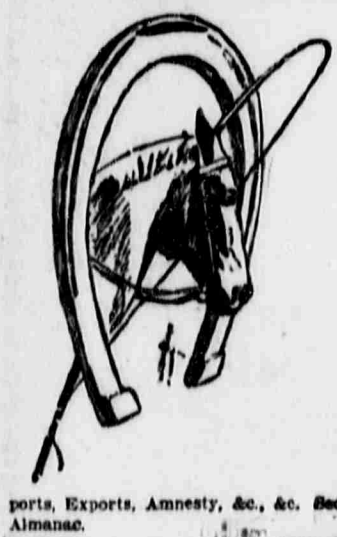
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### AMERICAN TURF STATISTICS.

American Stake Winners of 1900.  
May 4—Kentucky Derby (1½ miles); C. H. Smith's Lieut. Gibson (117 lb.); time, 2:00½.  
May 15—Metropolitan Handicap (1 mile); Perry Belmont's Rhebert (126 lb.); time, 1:41¼.  
May 26—Brooklyn Handicap (1¼ miles); Eastin & Larabee's Kinley Mack (122 lb.); time, 2:10.  
Complete records of best performances on the turf can be found on pages 264, 265 and 266 World Almanac.

### NEW GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Topography, Population, Climate, Mineral Wealth, Agriculture, Industry.

### CHINA AND ITS CONFLICT WITH THE NATIONS.

The new issue of The World Almanac and Encyclopedia contains a complete resume of the Chinese situation and the negotiations for peace and compensation. It presents also a page map of that part of China where the greatest disturbances took place. For this comprehensive resume of the Chinese situation see pages 114, 115, 116 World Almanac.



### POLAR EXPLORATION IN 1900.

(Prepared for The World Almanac by Walter Wellman.)

The most interesting event in polar exploration during the year 1900 was the establishment of a new record in the efforts of man to attain the North Pole. Dr. Nansen's achievement being eclipsed by a sledge party sent out by the expedition of Prince Luigi, the Duke of Abruzzi, of Italy. This party reached latitude 86 degrees 33 minutes North upon the ice-covered sea to the north of Franz Josef Land, thus passing by 19 minutes of latitude, or about twenty-two statute miles, the point attained by Nansen. The Duke of the Abruzzi was not himself a member of this sledge party, and the honor of leading the advance fell to Capt. Umberto Cagni, of the Italian Navy, who was the Duke's second in command. The nearest approaches to the North Pole have been—See pages 226, 227, World Almanac.

THE STAGE, ACTORS, ACTRESSES, &c. Showing birthplaces and birth years of living dramatic and musical people; also THE NEW PLAYS OF 1900, with record of the important new plays produced in the theatre of New York from Dec. 1, 1899, to Nov. 15, 1900, with the run of each production.

Events of absorbing interest to the world rapidly follow one another. All topics of public concern and the weighty questions now confronting the civilized world are discussed in the 1901 World Almanac.

SPORTS.—Liberal space is devoted to sports in the New Century World Almanac. It covers, with much comprehensiveness, records of Billiards, Bowling, Chess, Golf, Ice Hockey, Shotgun Records, Horse Racing, Boxing, Football, &c., &c. Pages 245 to 275 World Almanac.

POPULAR AND ELECTORAL VOTE.—A comprehensive summary of all the votes cast for each candidate, also a table of comparisons with preceding Presidential elections. See pages 437, 438 World Almanac.

VACCINATION.—The beginning of the century opened with the discovery of vaccination. The introduction of this measure wrought a wonderful change in the prevalence and the mortality of small-pox. The World Almanac gives some interesting facts.

### REVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS FOR 1900.

The closing year of the nineteenth century was as distinguished for scientific research as many of its predecessors.

ASTRONOMY.—In astronomy, however, there were no new discoveries, with the exception of one or two telescopic comets, which are now of no scientific importance. (See page 236 World Almanac.)

### CHEMISTRY.

In chemistry several new terminations of the atomic weights of some of the elementary bodies were made among which those of iron, barium, uranium, and a few others may be mentioned. A French chemist claims to have made a discovery of much interest. (See page 236 World Almanac.)

A TWENTIETH CENTURY EXPOSITION.—The Pan-American Exposition is an exhibit of the achievements of civilization during one hundred years of development in the Western Hemisphere. It will be held at Buffalo, N. Y., on the Niagara frontier, from May 1 to Nov. 1, 1901. Its scope and purposes are fully explained on pages 236, 237 World Almanac.

THE HAY-PAUNCEFOTE CANAL TREATY.—The President of the United States on Feb. 5, 1900, transmitted to the Senate a convention signed on that day by the Plenipotentiaries of the United States and Great Britain "to facilitate the construction of a ship canal to connect the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans and to remove any objections which might arise out of the convention of April 19, 1899, commonly called the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty, to the construction of such canal under the auspices of the Government of the United States. The text of the treaty follows on page 95 of The World Almanac.

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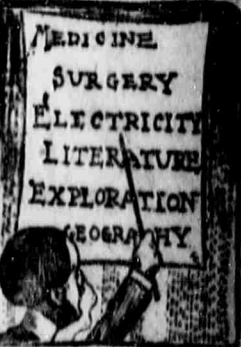
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### MEDICAL AND SURGICAL PROGRESS IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

In general, it may be said that progress in this direction during the nineteenth century has exceeded in importance that of all preceding time. At the beginning of the century the value of medical education was beginning to be recognized, and a few medical schools had been established in the largest cities on the Atlantic coast. Medical societies had been organized in two or three States, and also in some of the large cities, but during the first forty years of the century but little progress or improvement can be said to have been made, either in our own country or in Europe. (See pages 226, 227, 228 World Almanac.)



### NEW GOVERNMENT OF PORTO RICO.

"An act temporarily to provide revenues and a civil government for Porto Rico and for other purposes" passed the United States Senate April 4, 1900, by a vote of 80 yeas to 18 nays (the Republicans voting with the Democrats in the negative), and passed the House of Representatives April 12 by a vote of 161 yeas to 153 nays (the Democrats voting with the Republicans in the affirmative and nine Republicans voting with the Democrats and Populists in the negative). The President signed the bill April 12, 1900. For full particulars concerning Porto Rico see pages 94, 95 World Almanac.

### LAW IN REGARD TO BANKRUPTCY, WILLS, DEEDS, &c.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAW.—Extracts from the United States Bankruptcy Act of July 1, 1898.—Section 1. Who May Become Bankrupt: (a) Any person who owes debts, except a corporation, shall be entitled to the benefits of the act as a voluntary bankrupt. See page 181 World Almanac.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEEDS.—An acknowledgment is the act of declaring the execution of an instrument, but the word also denotes the official certificate of such declaration. See page 232 World Almanac.

WILLS.—A will or testament is a final disposition of a person's property to take effect after his death. A codicil is an addition or alteration in such disposition. See page 232 World Almanac.



### NEW GOVERNMENT OF HAWAII.

"An act to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii" was enacted by the first session of the Fifty-sixth Congress, and was approved by the President April 30, 1900.

Section 3 of the act declares that "A Territorial Government is hereby established over said Territory, with its capital at Honolulu, on the island of Oahu." All persons who were citizens of Hawaii Aug. 12, 1898, are declared to be citizens of the United States. Legislature, Executive power, Judiciary, &c., &c., fully explained on pages 96 and 97, World Almanac.



### POLITICAL DATA.

Record of 1900; conventions, committees, party platforms, &c., &c.—See pages 130 to 134, World Almanac.

The facts in The World Almanac are not selected at random, but are collated from recognized and official sources, thus furnishing an answer to all public questions of the day.

### FOUR CENTURIES OF AMERICAN PROGRESS.

Edgar Stanton Maclay, historian of American Navy and a writer of much fame, contributes an article of absorbing interest on the progress of America since the landing of Columbus. He treats upon discovery and colonization, the struggle for independence, the wars with France and Spain, the battle of New Orleans, the war with Mexico, the admission of Florida, the civil war and the war with Spain. This is one of many special articles of great interest which are included in the 1901 issue of The World Almanac, the standard American annual.

### REVIEW OF AMERICAN SENTIMENT.

On All Leading Questions, as Expressed in the Various Party Platforms.

Imperialism, Porto Rico, Cuba, Philippines, expansion, the Monroe Doctrine, Militarism, Trusts, Nicaragua Canal, War Taxes, &c., &c. See pages 137 to 149 World Almanac.

### U.S. CENSUS RETURNS.

Many interesting facts are brought out in the recent census, all of which can be found on pages 37, 38 World Almanac.

### RAILROAD STATISTICS.

Mileage, officers, earnings, fixed charges, operating expenses, accidents, speed, &c., &c. See pages 209 to 211 World Almanac.

### NAVAL STATISTICS.

United States Navy Pay and Enrollment, Flag Officers, Captains of the Navy, Commanders, Vessels of the Navy, &c., &c. See pages 406 to 414 World Almanac.

### AGRICULTURE.

A Review of Grain Production of the United States, Wheat Crop of the World, Prices of Wheat, &c., &c., will be found on page 195 World Almanac.

